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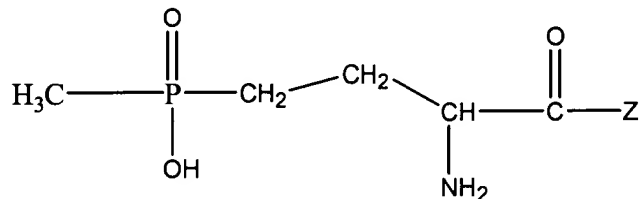
Claims 1-12 (cancelled)

Claim 13 (currently amended)

13. A method for combatting harmful plants in cotton crops, which comprises applying a herbicidal composition to the harmful plants or to the area where the harmful plants reside, wherein the herbicidal composition comprises a herbicide combination comprising a synergistically effective amount of

(A) a broad-spectrum herbicide consisting of one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of

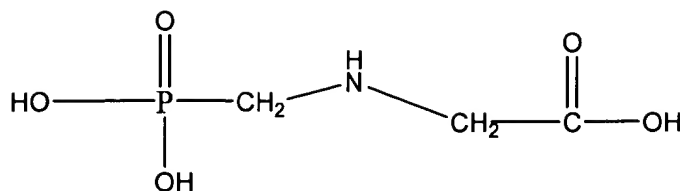
(A1) compounds of the formula (A1),



(A1)

in which Z is a radical of the formula $-\text{OH}$ or a peptide radical of the formula $-\text{NHCH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CONHCH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{COOH}$ or $-\text{NHCH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CONHCH}[\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2]\text{COOH}$, or the esters, salts and other phosphinothricine derivatives of said peptide radicals;

(A2) compounds of the formula (A2) and the ~~esters or~~ salts of said compounds



(A2)

~~(A3) —imidazolinones and their salts;~~

~~(A4) —herbicidal azoles selected from the group of inhibitors consisting of protoporphyrinogen oxidase (PPO inhibitors) and the PPO inhibitor WC9717; and~~

~~(A5) —hydroxybenzonitriles,~~

and

(B) one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of

(B1) norflurazon, ~~fluometuron~~, methylarsonic acid and its salts, diuron, cyanazine, prometryn, clomazone, trifluralin, metolachlor, linuron, paraquat (salts) and pendimethalin;

(B2) lactofen, oxyfluorfen, bispyribac or its salts, and pyriithiobac or its salts;

(B3) quizalofop-P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop-P or its esters, fenoxaprop or its esters, fluazifop-P or its esters, fluazifop or its esters, haloxyfop or its esters, haloxyfop-P or its esters, and propaquizafop; and

(B4) sethoxydim, ~~cycloxydim~~ and clethodim,

and optionally one or more safeners

wherein said cotton crops are tolerant to the herbicides (A) and (B) in said combination, and with the exception of combinations of active substances comprising substance wherein

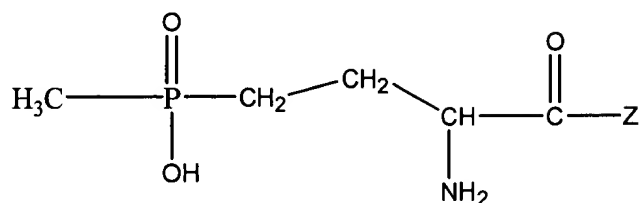
~~(a) —a combination of (A1) glufosinate or (A2) glyphosate and (B) fluometuron or metolachlor,~~

~~(b) a combination of (A1) glufosinate and (B) lactofen and/or oxyfluorfen and/or pendimethalin.~~

Claim 14 (currently amended)

14. The method as claimed in claim 13, wherein the herbicidal composition comprises a herbicide combination comprising a synergistically effective amount of herbicide (A) is glufosinate ammonium

(A1) compounds of the formula (A1),



(A1)

in which Z is a radical of the formula -OH or a peptide radical of the formula -NHCH(CH₃)CONHCH(CH₃)COOH or -NHCH(CH₃)CONHCH[CH₂CH(CH₃)₂]COOH, or the esters, salts and other phosphinothricine derivatives of said peptide radicals;

and

(B) one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of

(B1) norflurazon, methylarsonic acid and its salts, diuron, prometryn, clomazone, trifluralin and linuron;

(B2) pyriithiobac or its salts;

(B3) quizalofop-P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop-P or its esters, fenoxaprop or its esters, fluazifop-P or its esters, fluazifop or its esters, haloxyfop or its esters, and haloxyfop-P or its esters; and

(B4) sethoxydim and clethodim,

and optionally one or more safeners

wherein said cotton crops are tolerant to the herbicides (A) and (B) in said combination.

Claim 15 (currently amended)

15. The method as claimed in claim 14 13, wherein herbicide component (B) is one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of (B1) norflurazon.

(B1) —norflurazon, methylarsonic acid or its salts, diuron, cyanazine, prometryn, clomazone, trifluralin, linuron, paraquat (salts) and pendimethalin;

(B2) —bispyribac or its salts and pyriithiobac or its salts;

~~(B3) — quizalofop P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop P or its esters, fenoxaprop or its esters, fluazifop P or its esters, fluazifop or its esters, haloxyfop or its esters, haloxyfop P or its esters, propaquizafop; and~~

~~(B4) — sethoxydim, cycloxydim and clethodim.~~

Claim 16 (currently amended)

16. The method as claimed in claim 14 13, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) methylarsonic acid and its salts. (A) is glyphosate isopropylammonium.

Claim 17 (currently amended)

17. The method as claimed in claim 14 16, wherein herbicide (B) is ~~one or more herbicides~~ selected from the group consisting of (B1) diuron.

~~(B1) — norflurazon, methylarsonic acid or its salts, cyanazine, prometryn, clomazone, trifluralin, linuron, paraquat (salts) and pendimethalin;~~

~~(B2) — lactofen, oxyfluorfen, bispyribac or its salts, and pyriithiobac and its salts;~~

~~(B3) — quizalofop P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop P or its esters, fenoxaprop or its esters, haloxyfop or its esters, haloxyfop P or its esters, and propaquizafop; and~~

~~(B4) — sethoxydim, cycloxydim and clethodim.~~

Claim 18 (currently amended)

18. The method as claimed in claim 14 13, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) prometryn. ~~the herbicidal combination further comprises additional active ingredients for crop protection.~~

Claim 19 (currently amended)

19. The method as claimed in claim 14 17, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) clomazone. ~~the herbicidal combination further comprises adjuvants or formulation auxiliaries conventionally used in crop protection.~~

Claim 20 (currently amended)

~~20. The method as claimed in claim 14 13, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) trifluralin. the herbicides comprising the herbicidal combination are applied jointly or separately, pre-emergence, post-emergence or pre and post-emergence to the plants, parts of the plants, seeds of the plants or the area under cultivation.~~

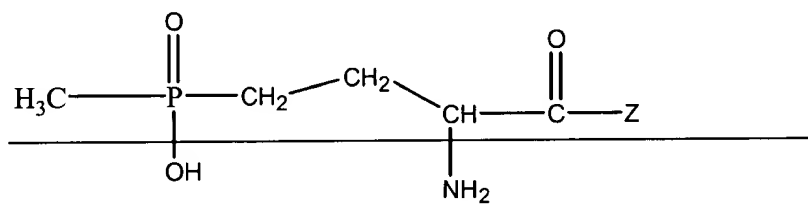
Claim 21 (currently amended)

21. A method as claimed in claim 14, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) linuron.

~~herbicidal composition which comprises a combination of~~

~~(A) — one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of~~

~~— (A1) — compounds of the formula (A1);~~



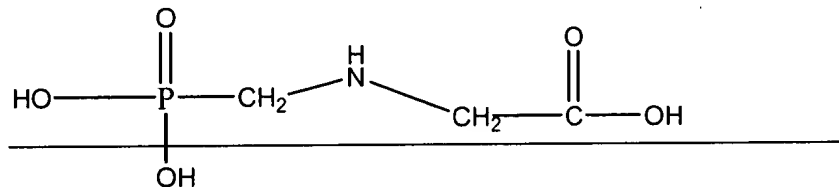
(A1)

~~in which Z is a radical of the formula —OH or a peptide radical of the formula —~~

~~NHCH(CH₃)CONHCH(CH₃)COOH or~~

~~—NHCH(CH₃)CONHCH[CH₂CH(CH₃)₂]COOH, or the esters, salts and other phosphinothricine derivatives of said peptide radicals;~~

~~(A2) — compounds of the formula (A2) and the esters or salts of said compounds~~



(A2);

~~— (A3) — imidazolinones and their salts;~~

~~(A4) — herbicidal azoles selected from the group of inhibitors consisting of~~

~~protoporphyrinogen oxidase (PPO inhibitors) and the PPO inhibitor WC9717; and~~

~~— (A5) — hydroxybenzonitriles,~~

and

~~(B) — one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of~~

~~— (B1') — methylarsonic acid, diuron, cyanazine, clomazone, trifluralin, paraquat and —
— pendimethalin;~~

~~— (B2') — lactofen, oxyfluorfen, bispyribac, pyriithiobac;~~

~~— (B3') — quizalofop-P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop-P or its esters, —
— fenoxaprop or its esters, fluazifop-P or its esters, fenoxaprop-P or its esters, —
— haloxyfop or its esters, haloxyfop-P or its esters; and~~

~~— (B4') — sethoxydim, cycloxydim and clethodim and~~

~~(C) — optionally adjuvants or auxiliaries customarily used in crop protection~~

~~with the exception of compositions containing a combination of herbicide (A1) glufosinate and
herbicide (B) diuron, lactofen and/or oxyfluorfen.~~

Claim 22 (currently amended)

22. A method as claimed in claim 14, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group
consisting of (B2) pyriithiobac or its salts.

~~herbicidal composition which comprises a combination of one or more~~

~~herbicides (A1) glufosinate ammonium and one or more herbicides from the group consisting of~~

~~(B1') — methylarsonic acid, cyanazine, clomazone, trifluralin, paraquat and
pendimethalin;~~

~~(B2') — bispyribac and pyriithiobac;~~

~~(B3') — quizalofop-P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop-P or its
esters, fenoxaprop or its esters, fluazifop-P or its esters, fluazifop or its esters,
haloxyfop or its esters, haloxyfop-P or its esters; and~~

~~(B4) — sethoxydim, cycloxydim and clethodim, and optionally adjuvants or
formulation auxiliaries conventionally used in crop protection.~~

Claim 23 (currently amended)

23. A method as claimed in claim 14, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group
consisting of (B3) quizalofop-P or its esters and/or quizalofop or its esters.

~~The herbicidal composition wherein herbicide (A) is glufosinate ammonium salt and herbicide (B) is cycloxydim.~~

Claim 24 (currently amended)

24. A method as claimed in claim 14, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3) fenoxaprop-P or its esters and/or fenoxaprop or its esters.

~~for controlling harmful plants in cotton crops which comprises applying a synergistic effective amount of the herbicidal combination as claimed in claim 23 to the harmful plants or to an area where the harmful plants reside, wherein said cotton crops are tolerant to glufosinate ammonium salt and cycloxydim.~~

Claim 25 (currently amended)

25. A method as claimed in claim 14, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3) fluazifop-P or its esters and/or fluazifop or its esters.

~~for regulating the growth of cotton plants which comprises applying a herbicidal composition according to claim 21 to the cotton plants or to an area where they reside.~~

Claim 26 (currently amended)

26. A method as claimed in claim 14, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3) haloxyfop or its esters and/or haloxyfop-P or its esters.

~~for influencing the yield or the constituents of cotton plants which comprises applying a herbicidal composition according to claim 21 to the cotton plants or to an area where they reside.~~

Claim 27 (currently amended)

27. A method as claimed in claim 14, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B4) sethoxydim.

~~The herbicidal composition according to claim 22, which comprises a combination of glufosinate ammonium salt and pyriithiobac or its salts.~~

Claim 28 (currently amended)

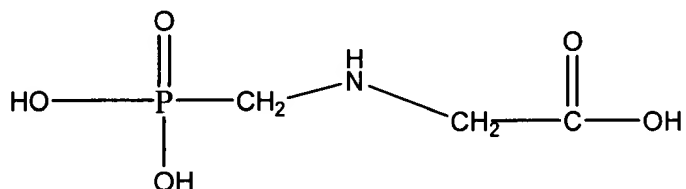
28. A method as claimed in claim 14, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B4) clethodim.

~~A method for controlling harmful plants in cotton crops which comprises applying a synergistically effective amount of the herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 27, to the harmful plants or to the harmful plants or to an area where the harmful plants reside, wherein said cotton crops are tolerant to glufosinate ammonium salt and pyriithiobac or its salts.~~

Claim 29 (new)

29. A method of claim 1, wherein the herbicidal composition comprises a herbicide combination comprising a synergistically effective amount of

(A2) compounds of the formula (A2) and the salts of said compounds



(A2)

and

(B) one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of

(B1) norflurazon, methylarsonic acid and its salts, diuron, cyanazine, prometryn, clomazone, trifluralin, linuron, paraquat (salts) and pendimethalin;

(B2) lactofen, oxyfluorfen, bispyribac or its salts, and pyriithiobac or its salts;

(B3) quizalofop-P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop-P or its esters, fenoxaprop or its esters, fluazifop-P or its esters, fluazifop or its esters, haloxyfop or its esters, haloxyfop-P or its esters, and propaquizafop; and

(B4) sethoxydim and clethodim,

and optionally one or more safeners

wherein said cotton crops are tolerant to the herbicides (A) and (B) in said combination.

Claim 30 (new)

30. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) norflurazon.

Claim 31 (new)

31. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) methylarsonic acid and its salts.

Claim 32 (new)

32. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) diuron.

Claim 33 (new)

33. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) prometryn.

Claim 34 (new)

34. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) clomazone.

Claim 35 (new)

35. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) trifluralin.

Claim 36 (new)

36. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) linuron.

Claim 37 (new)

37. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1) pendimethalin.

Claim 38 (new)

38. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B2) lactofen.

Claim 39 (new)

39. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B2) oxyfluorfen.

Claim 40 (new)

40. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B2) pyriithiobac or its salts.

Claim 41 (new)

41. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3) quizalofop-P or its esters and/or quizalofop or its esters.

Claim 42 (new)

42. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3) fenoxaprop-P or its esters and/or fenoxaprop or its esters.

Claim 43 (new)

43. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3) fluazifop-P or its esters and/or fluazifop or its esters.

Claim 44 (new)

44. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3) haloxyfop or its esters and/or haloxyfop-P or its esters.

Claim 45 (new)

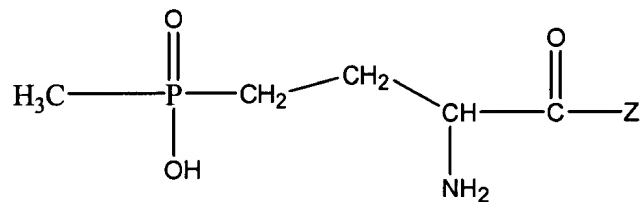
45. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B4) sethoxydim.

Claim 46 (new)

46. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B4) clethodim.

Claim 47 (new)

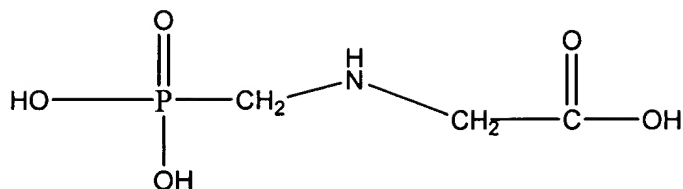
47. A herbicidal composition which comprises a combination of
(A) one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of
(A1) compounds of the formula (A1),



(A1)

in which Z is a radical of the formula -OH or a peptide radical of the formula —NHCH(CH₃)CONHCH(CH₃)COOH or —NHCH(CH₃)CONHCH[CH₂CH(CH₃)₂]COOH, or the esters, salts and other phosphinothricine derivatives of said peptide radicals;

(A2) compounds of the formula (A2) and the salts of said compounds



(A2)

and

- (B) one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of
- (B1') methylarsonic acid, diuron, clomazone, trifluralin and pendimethalin;
 - (B2') lactofen, oxyfluorfen, pyriithiobac;
 - (B3') quizalofop-P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop-P or its esters, fenoxaprop or its esters, fluazifop-P or its esters, fluazifop or its esters, haloxyfop or its esters, haloxyfop-P or its esters; and
 - (B4') sethoxydim and clethodim,

and

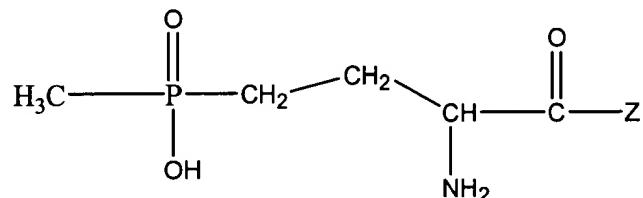
- (C) optionally adjuvants or auxiliaries customarily used in crop protection with the exception of combinations comprising a combination of (A1) glufosinate and (B) diuron, lactofen, oxyfluorfen and/or pendimethalin.

Claim 48 (new)

48. A herbicidal composition of claim 47 which comprises a combination of

- (A) one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of

- (A1) compounds of the formula (A1),



(A1)

in which Z is a radical of the formula -OH or a peptide radical of the formula -NHCH(CH₃)CONHCH(CH₃)COOH or

—NHCH(CH₃)CONHCH[CH₂CH(CH₃)₂]COOH, or the esters, salts and
other phosphinothricine derivatives of said peptide radicals;

and

- (B) one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of
- (B1') methylarsonic acid, clomazone and trifluralin;
 - (B2') pyriithiobac;
 - (B3') quizalofop-P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop-P or its esters, fenoxaprop or its esters, fluazifop-P or its esters, fluazifop or its esters, haloxyfop or its esters, haloxyfop-P or its esters; and
 - (B4') sethoxydim and clethodim,
- and
- (C) optionally adjuvants or auxiliaries customarily used in crop protection.

Claim 49 (new)

49. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1') methylarsonic acid.

Claim 50 (new)

50. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1') clomazone.

Claim 51 (new)

51. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1') trifluralin.

Claim 52 (new)

52. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B2') pyriithiobac.

Claim 53 (new)

53. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3') quizalofop-P or its esters and/or quizalofop or its esters.

Claim 54 (new)

54. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3') fenoxaprop-P or its esters and/or fenoxaprop or its esters.

Claim 55 (new)

55. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3') fluazifop-P or its esters and/or fluazifop or its esters.

Claim 56 (new)

56. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3') haloxyfop or its esters and/or haloxyfop-P or its esters.

Claim 57 (new)

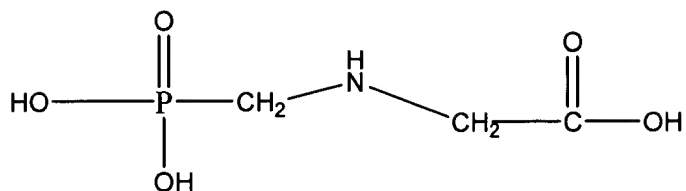
57. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B4') sethoxydim.

Claim 58 (new)

58. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B4') clethodim.

Claim 59 (new)

59. A herbicidal composition of claim 47 which comprises a combination of
(A) one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of
(A2) compounds of the formula (A2) and the salts of said compounds



(A2)

and

- (B) one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of
- (B1') methylarsonic acid, diuron, clomazone, trifluralin and pendimethalin;
 - (B2') lactofen, oxyfluorfen, pyriithiobac;
 - (B3') quizalofop-P or its esters, quizalofop or its esters, fenoxaprop-P or its esters, fenoxaprop or its esters, fluazifop-P or its esters, fluazifop or its esters, haloxyfop or its esters, haloxyfop-P or its esters; and
 - (B4') sethoxydim and clethodim,
- and
- (C) optionally adjuvants or auxiliaries customarily used in crop protection.

Claim 60 (new)

60. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1') methylarsonic acid.

Claim 61 (new)

61. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1') diuron.

Claim 62 (new)

62. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1') clomazone.

Claim 63 (new)

63. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1') trifluralin.

Claim 64 (new)

64. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B1') pendimethalin.

Claim 65 (new)

65. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B2') lactofen.

Claim 66 (new)

66. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B2') oxyfluorfen.

Claim 67 (new)

67. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B2') pyriithiobac.

Claim 68 (new)

68. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3') quizalofop-P or its esters and/or quizalofop or its esters.

Claim 69 (new)

69. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3') fenoxaprop-P or its esters and/or fenoxaprop or its esters.

Claim 70 (new)

70. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3') fluazifop-P or its esters and/or fluazifop or its esters.

Claim 71 (new)

71. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B3') haloxyfop or its esters and/or haloxyfop-P or its esters.

Claim 72 (new)

72. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B4') sethoxydim.

Claim 73 (new)

73. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 59, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B4') clethodim.

Claim 74 (new)

74. A method for influencing the yield or the constituents of cotton plants which comprises applying a herbicidal composition according to claim 47 to the cotton plants or to an area where they reside.